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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 08242

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP
SUBJ: VISIT OF GENERAL WILSON TO IRAN

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MARINE CORPS
COMMANDANT GENERAL LOUIS WILSON FROM AMBASSADOR
SULLIVAN.

2. "DEAR LOU,
ON MY RETURN FROM LEAVE, I WAS PLEASED TO
LEARN THAT YOU AND JANE WILL VISIT TEHRAN NEXT MONTH
AS GUESTS OF THE IRANIAN GOVT. MARIE AND I LOOK
FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THAT TIME.
ADMIRAL COLLINS HAS GRACIOUSLY AGREED TO PERMIT
ME TO HOST THE U.S. DINNER IN YOUR HONOR IN HIS STEAD
ON SEPTEMBER 12. OTHER MINOR CHANGES IN SCHEDULE WILL
BE REPORTED TO YOU BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.
IN VIEW OF WIDESPREAD PUBLIC SPECULATION ON
U.S. CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR AN INTERVENTION TASK FORCE
WITH MARINE COMPONENTS FOR THE PERSIAN GULF AREA,
THERE IS LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERABLE PRESS AND DIPLOMATIC
INTEREST IN YOUR VISIT HERE. IRANIANS WILL PROBABLY
GIVE IT STANDARD PUBLICITY TREATMENT, BUT OTHER SOURCES
CAN BE EXPECTED TO EXPAND UPON IT.
I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT YOU GET TOGETHER WITH
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THE EXPERTS IN STATE AND DEFENSE TO WORK OUT A PUBLIC
RELATIONS PLAN IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR VISIT. PLEASE
ASK STATE, WHEN THE PLAN IS PREPARED, TO SEND OUT
CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE TO THE EMBASSY PRIOR TO YOUR
ARRIVAL.
ALL THE BEST.
SINCERELY,

BILL"

3. PRESS GUIDANCE REQUESTED SHOULD PROBABLY ALSO BE
SENT TO OTHER INTERESTED POSTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF REGION.
SULLIVAN

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